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SUBJ: 30TH MEETING OF COMITE ON RELATIONS WITH
HOST COUNTRY

SUMMARY: COMITE DISCUSSED COMPLAINTS FILED BY FRANCE
CONCERNING JDL SIT-IN IN PROTEST FRENCH ME POLICY,
COMPLAINTS BY USSR CONCERNING BURNING OF SOVIET CAR AND
DEMONSTRATION AT GLEN COVE AND COMPLAINT BY AMBASSADOR
ZENTAR (MOROCCO) CONCERNING TOW-AWAY OF HIS CAR BY
POLICE DEPT. END SUMMARY

1. AMB WHITE (US) OPENED MTG BY ANNOUNCING THAT USDEL
HAD SUBMITTED REPORT ON SECURITY OF MISSIONS AND SAFETY
OF THEIR PERSONNEL AND ASPECTS OF AMERICAN LEGAL SYSTEM.
SHE SAID UN WLD CIRCULATE DOCUMENT TO ALL MEMBERS OF COMITE
SHORTLY.

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2. SCALABRE (FRANCE) DESCRIBED JDL SIT-IN AT FRENCH

MISSION. HE COMPLAINED ABOUT LENGTH OF TIME IT TOOK FOR POLICE TO ARRIVE AND REMOVE DEMONSTRATORS. AMB WHITE (US) RESPONDED BY POINTING OUT THAT INCIDENT OCCURRED DURING RUSH HOUR AND THEREFORE MORE TIME THAN USUAL WAS NECESSARY TO GET VAN TO FRENCH MISSION. BOTH SCALABRE AND AMB WHITE AGREED TO COOPERATE TO RESOLVE MATTER SPEEDILY.

3. FEDOROV (USSR) COMMENTED ON DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE SOVIET RESIDENCE IN GLEN COVE ON MAY 18 AND ON BURNING OF SOVIET AUTO IN FAR ROCKAWAY. HE ACCUSED LOCAL AUTHORITIES, INCLUDING MAYOR BEAM, OF ENCOURAGING CRIMINAL ACTS. GHELEV (BULGARIA) AND AL-QAYSI (IRAQ) JOINED FEDOROV IN DEPLORING ACTS OF VANDALISM AND VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. AMB WHITE(US) SAID PRELIMINARY POLICE REPORT ON GLEN COVE DEMONSTRATION DID NOT SUPPORT SOVIET ALLEGATIONS. SHE SAID A FURTHER REPORT AND BEEN REQUESTED. WITH REGARD TO CAR BURNING, SHE SAID US DEL NOT ACCEPT SOVIET ALLEGATION THAT MAYOR BEAME ENCOURAGED ACTS OF VIOLENCE BY ZIONIST ELEMENTS. IN THIS REGARD SHE QUOTED STATEMENT BY MAYOR BBEAME ON TV DEPLORING INCIDENT. CONCERNING ARREST OF TWO YOUNG PEOPLE FOUND POURING GASOLINE ON SOVIET CAR ON 24 MAY, SHE SAID THEY HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH VIOLATING FEDERAL ACT FOR PROTECTION OF FORIEGN OFFICIALS.

4. AMB MEHDI ZENTAR (MOROCCO) COMPLAINED ABOUT TOW AWAY OF HIS CAR. HE SAID ALLEGATION THAT HIS CAR WAS PARKED IN FRONT OF FIRE HYDRANT WAS TOTALLY FALSE AND MOREOVER, POLICE OFFICER SHOULD HAVE HAD MINIMUM COURTESY TO INFORM MISSION TO MOVE CAR IF IT HAD BEEN PARKED IN FRONT OF FIRE HYDRANT. HE REGRETTED HE COULD OBTAIN NO ASSURANCES FROM US MISSION THAT NO DPL CAR WLD IN FUTURE BE TOWED WITHOUT NOTICE TO UNKNOWN PLACE AND EXPRESSED OPINION THAT HOST COUNTRY APPROACHED ISSUE IN A "LIGHTHEARTED MANNER." FEDOROV (USSR), AL-QAYSI (IRAQ), AKE (IVORY COAST), AND GHELEV (BULGARIA) SHARED SENTIMENTS OF AMB ZENTAR. AMB WHITE (US) SAID THAT AMB ZENTAR'S CAR HAD IMMEDIATELY BEEN RELEASED FROM POLICE POUND WHEN USUN WAS INFORMED IT HAD BEEN TOWED AWAY. SHE EXPLAINED IT HAD LATER BEEN DISCOVERED THAT DPL PARKING SIGNS IN UNCLASSIFIED

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FRONT OF AMB ZENTAR'S RESIDENCE WERE IMPROPERLY PLACED AND STEPS WERE BEING TAKEN TO CORRECT ERROR. SHE SAID FURTHER THAT POLICE ACTION HAD BEEN IN ERROR AND POLICEMEN CONCERNED HAD BEEN REMINDED OF RULES FOR TREATMENT OF DIPLOMATS. MOST DELEGATES EXPRESSED VIEW THAT TICKETING AND TOW-AWAYS WERE ILLEGAL. AMBASSADOR WHITE EXPLAINED WHY TICKETING AND TOW-AWAYS WERE LEGAL, AND QUOTED FROM WHITEMAN'S DIGEST OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

AND SATOW'S GUIDE TO DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE.
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